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**Cadre Review of Group 'B' Officers**

6337. SHRI PURNA CHANDRA MALIK:
SHRI HARI KEWAL PRASAD:

Will the nister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state.

(a) whether the cadre review of Group 'B' officers of the Railways has been conducted since 1987;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) to (c). The channel of promotion for Group 'B' officers of the principal Departments of Railways (namely Civil Engineering, Traffic, Mechanical Engineering, Electrical Engineering, Signal and Telecommunication, Stores, Accounts and Personnel) is through appointment to Group 'A' in Junior Scale. On such appointment to Junior Scale Group 'A' Group 'B' officers are assigned seniority in Group 'A' adding the benefit of a promotion of their Group 'B' service (not exceeding 5 years) as service in Junior Scale (Group 'A') are thus part of Group 'A' cadre and are on par with directly recruited Group 'A' officers in the matter of promotion to higher grades of Group 'A'. In view of this, the question of a separate Cadre Review for Group 'B' officers does not arise.

**Transport Activities of ITDC**

6338. SHRI LOKNATH CHOUDHURY:
SHRIMATI GEETA MUKHERJEE:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any plan to close down ITDC's all India Transport activities/services, in a phased manner;

(b) if not, the factual position in this regard;

(c) the list of transport unit/services alongwith the type of vehicles and man-power deployment, investment made etc. which were there at each transport unit/station during 1980-81 and as on March, 1991; and

(d) the aims and objectives of ITDC's Travel Agency (Ashok Travel and Tours) with details of man-power deployment and investment in the beginning, its aims/objectives, manpower, investment and achievements during 1985-86 and as on March, 1991?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) ITDC has drawn an Action Plan which envisages a core fleet of at least 50 vehicles for its transport activity supplemented by hiring vehicles as and when required.

(c) The requisite information is given in the attached Statement II.

(d) ITDC's Travel Agency (called ATT) was set up in the year 1981 with a view to promoting and handling inbound tours to the country. The details of man-power deployment are contained in Annexure II. The details of investment (capital employed) and turn-over are as under:

*(Rs. in Lakhs)*

| *Year* | *Capital* | *Turn-over employed* |
|---|---|---|
| *1* | *2* | *3* |
| 1981-82 | 5.82 | 1.89 |
| 1985-86 | 66.97 | 156.19 |
| 1990-91 (Prov.) | 285.57 | 467.08 |

Despite adverse tourism scenario in the country during 1990-91 due to various reasons, the ATT agency earned a net profit of Rs. 9.73 lakhs.

| | *As on March, 81* | | *As on March, 91* |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | Delhi | 1. | Delhi |
| 2. | Agra | 2. | Agra |
| 3. | Jaipur | 3. | Jaipur |
| 4. | Bombay | 4. | Bombay |
| 5. | Aurangabad | 5. | Aurangabad |
| 10. | Bangalore | 10. | Bangalore |
| 11. | Kovalam | 11. | Kovalam |
| 12. | Indore | | |
| 13. | Jabalpur | | |
| 14. | Khajuraho | | |
| 15. | Bhubneswar | | |
| 16. | Guwahati | | |
| 17. | Hyderabad | | |
| Fleet Strength | 288 Vehicles | | 109 Vehicles |

| | *As on March, 81* | *As on March, 91* |
|---|---|---|
| Investment | Rs. 278.83 lakhs | Rs. 545.69 lakhs |
| Type of fleet | Ambassador cars, Imported cars, Mini Buses, Deluxe AC and Non AC Coaches | Ambassador cars, Imported cars, Deluxe AC and Non Ac Coaches. |

NOTE: Unit-wise figures on investment cannot be given as the vehicles deployed at Units are transferred depending upon the need are purchased centrally.

**STATEMENT - II**

| S. No. | Name of the Unit | Manpower Development | |
|---|---|---|---|
| | | As on 31 Mar 81 | As on 31 Mar 91 |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 1. | Delhi | 243 | 200 |
| 2. | Agra | 22 | 3 |
| 3. | Varanasi | 10 | 15 |
| 4. | Indore | 6 | — |
| 5. | Jabalpur | 7 | — |
| 6. | Khajuraho | 2 | — |
| 7. | Jaipur | 17 | 3 |
| 8. | Patna | 21 | 18 |
| 9. | Bhubneshwar | 9 | — |
| 10. | Calcutta | 18 | 26 |

| S. No. | Name of the Unit | Manpower Development | |
|---|---|---|---|
| | | As on 31 Mar 81 | As on 31 Mar 91 |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 11. | Bombay | 30 | 49 |
| 12. | Aurangabad | 10 | 14 |
| 13. | Bangalore | 20 | 21 |
| 14. | Kovalam | 5 | 1 |
| 15. | Madras | 41 | 48 |
| 16. | Hyderabad | 14 | — |
| 17. | Guwahati | 7 | — |